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**MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Mikael PARONEN  
entitled "POLYMER MEMBRANE AND A  
PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF"  
Assignee: **MIKAEL PARONEN**  
Our Ref: **Q-76263**

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. **09/890,825** (Confirmation No. 8165) filed **August 6, 2001**, of **Mikael PARONEN** entitled "**POLYMER MEMBRANE AND A PROCESS FOR THE PRODUCTION THEREOF**"; which in turn is a 371 of PCT/FI00/00117, filed February 16, 2000.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including claims and Abstract, 1 sheet of drawing and a copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney (as filed in the prior application).

Also filed simultaneously herewith is a Preliminary Amendment and Information Disclosure Statement (accompanied by Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) - listing references cited by Applicant and/or the Examiner during prosecution of the prior application).

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1711.

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The priority document was submitted during National Stage Entry of Parent Application No. 09/890,825.

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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,  
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